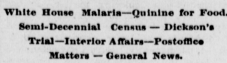


DESERTING OKLAHOMA.

CAPT. COUCH AND HIS BOOMER BAND
WILL NOW RETURN HOME.



ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., April 24.—The great Oklahoma movement which for the past few months has caused the government great trouble and expense, and in which over 1,000 men at this point have taken an active part, has collapsed. When Capt. Couch went to Washington two weeks ago to personally state his case to Secretary Lamar, there were some few who believed favorable action would be had, but when Secretary Lamar told Capt. Couch he and his men must keep out of Oklahoma, and the cattlemen must go out also, the colonists accepted the situation for the time being.

Capt. Couch, who came back from Washington, was joined here by Sidney Clark, who has been representing the boomers in Washington for several months. Late in the evening a consultation was held with a special committee of ten of the boomers or leaders as to what should now be done. One or two hot heads among the boomers were for utterly ignoring the wishes or decisions of the president and Secretary Lamar, and the consultation lasted late into the night, and finally a report was arrived at and the boomers assembled at their camp to hear the boomers.

A good many of the men who came to the meeting were with Capt. Couch when he was ejected from Oklahoma last January and have been here at Arkansas City ever since, and there was a good deal of bitterness. His played, and an attempt was made to kick over the report prepared by Capt. Couch, Sidney Clark and the special committee, but it was finally adopted, and reads as follows:

"WHEREAS, The members of Payne's Oklahoma colony have received the report of Capt. Couch, Gen. Weaver and Sidney Clark, who represented our situations and views to the president of the United States and to the secretary of the interior, and so

"WHEREAS, Assurance has been given us through our delegates that the question at issue, relating to Oklahoma, will be speedily settled by removing the cattle syndicates from the whole territory, including the occupancy of the surrounding Indian reservations under the illegal leases, preparatory to instituting negotiations to open the country to homestead settlement as provided by the recent act of congress, therefore,

"RESOLVED, That in order to aid the national administration to carry out the aforementioned measure in good faith, and to solve the problem of the settlement of Oklahoma as soon as practicable, we deem it advisable to wait for a reasonable time the contemplated action."

"RESOLVED, That the headquarters of the colony shall remain at Arkansas City, Kan., until a more suitable place be secured by the officers of the company."

Before the vote was taken on this report a number of speeches were made. Capt. Couch, Col. Wilcox, Mr. Eichelberger and others advised that it be adopted.

Immediately after the meeting preparations for removal began, and it is thought

that within forty-eight hours at least two-thirds of the colonists who have been waiting here for weeks will have departed.

The men accept the situation quietly, but say they will be again ready to take the field whenever Capt. Couch calls upon them.

White House Malaria.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Colonel Lemon

the president's private secretary, is suffering from the effects of overwork. His waking hours are devoted entirely to the president's service. Col. Lamont's health has been very seriously impaired by overwork, and he

While the bilious attack from which Mr. Lamont is suffering has no doubt been increased by constant and excessive labor, some

thing is due also to the locality of the white house where that labor is entirely performed. He would be an exception to previous occupants of the office if he escaped the malarial influences which are felt by all who spend

much time in night work in the line of the southern front of the white house, state department and naval observatory. "Quinine," says Prof. Harkness, of the observatory, "is the principal food of those on night duty."

there, and the watchmen learn to like it as a daily tonic." By the improvement of the Potomac, its vast quantities of mud are daily upturned and dumped in filling up the flats. It is not strange, therefore, that those

who live nearest this locality complain of feeling languid and tired. Even the president, it is said, who has hardly known what it is to feel the pressure of constant application, becomes wearied and is anxious to

Semi-Decennial Census.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—In reply to in-

WASHINGTON, April 24.—In reply to inquiries from several states concerning the taking of a semi-decennial census, the secretary of the interior has prepared a circular in which he quotes the act of March 3, 1877 providing for the taking of such census. The

circular states that if a semi-decennial census is made by the state authorities, beginning on the first Monday in June, and the result reported to the secretary of the interior by the 1st of September following, such

states will be entitled, upon requisition of the governors thereof, to a sum equal to fifty per cent. of the amount which was paid to the United States supervisors and enumerators employed within such states and terri-

teries in the taking of the last United States census. The scope of the census will be confined to the objects of population, agriculture, industry and mortality.

Foreman Dickson on Trial.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—C. Maurice Smith, attorney for Mr. William Dickson, now being tried in the court of this district upon the charge of murdering a woman, before a

charge of reading a newspaper before the
star route jury with a view of influencing

Presidential Appointments.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—The president made the following appointments: Postmasters, George W. Statton, Mansfield, O. E. R. Debray, Clyde, Kan.; Benjamin McAll Moorehead, Minn. The president also appointed George B. Tift, of the District of Columbia; Richard Stockton, of New Jersey, and Middleton S. Guest, of Maryland, as cadets at large to the naval academy at Annapolis. This completes the number of cadetships within the gift of the president, and no more appointments will be made by him until 1889, and only two during that year.

Clearing the Reservation.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—Secretary Endicott states that the war department has no authority to take further steps to clear Oklahoma of invaders until requested to do so by the secretary of the interior. The responsibility of ascertaining what trespasses are made and for ejecting the invaders rests solely with the interior department. The army can only be used when the interior department is unable to carry out the orders of the president and the requirements of law.

Respectfully Resigns.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—Joseph K. McCammon, assistant attorney general for the interior department, has tendered his resignation, to take effect May 24 next. Judge McCammon will engage in the practice of law in this city.

The Brooklyn Postoffice.
WASHINGTON, April 24.—The supervising architect of the treasury has extended the time for opening bids for stone and brick work on the postoffice building at Brooklyn N. Y., to April 30.

MAHONE'S EXPECTATIONS.

How the Supreme Court Decision Will Affect Virginia Politics.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—A Virginia republican says: "Senator Mahone got the lead in Virginia politics by the agitation of the debt question. There was no other issue upon which he could have succeeded in his

during the strength he did. The people of the Virginia, like those of other states, don't like to pay debts if they can avoid it. They feel that West Virginia should pay one-third of the debt, the original state of Virginia should pay one-third, and the federal government should pay one-third. And they find themselves loaded down with a debt of over thirty millions, with accrued interest of over fourteen years. The decision of the United States supreme court in favor of the bondholders will give Mr. Mahone a great political strength among the bondholders. He will be able to raise all sorts of questions. Mr. Mahone expects to be elected the next governor of Virginia, and he thinks that this decision will help him immensely. The so-called bourbons, though they fought the adjustment of the debt proposed by Mr. Mahone, are now very anxious to pay the debt than the realists, notwithstanding all their alleged horror of repudiation."

A YOUNG WIFE'S DEVOTION.
Pursuing Her Husband for Years and Failing to Find Him She Sues for Divorce.

PITTSBURG, April 24.—A romantic story of a devoted woman's search of twenty-five years for her recalcitrant husband was revealed in a divorce suit here. In 1861 George Bowens, who was only two years married and

held a good position in a cannon foundry in this city, enlisted in a Pennsylvania regiment. For a time his letters from the field were frequent. He wrote his wife that he had been made lieutenant and was doing

well. When his letters ceased coming she thought he was dead, but all her inquiries as to his fate were fruitless. After a long time Mrs. Bowers learned that her husband had deserted and fled to Cincinnati, where he was

living with another woman whom he had courted before he met her. When she arrived in Cincinnati they had left town for Cleveland. There Bowers assumed another name, and although Mrs. Bowers traced him

to Chicago, St. Louis and many other cities she never found him. Lately she learned that he and his wife had settled in Chicago with their three children, and now she seeks a divorce.

The Strytax and Garnet.
NEW YORK, April 24.—There are numerous rumors afloat in shipping circles touching the movements of the Russian corvette *Strytax* and the British ship of war *Garnet*.

Stratton and the British sloop of war *Garnet*, both of which vessels arrived at Norfolk, and both of which are expected to arrive here in a few days. One of the rumors was that the *Garnet* was coming here for the purpose of acting as consort to the English vessel.

On April 8 the *Garnet* was in the harbor of Vera Cruz, and she arrived in the harbor of Havana on April 10, where she found the *Strylax* lying at anchor. Both vessels at once took in coal and other supplies. The

There was considerable anxiety felt among the people in Havana, who looked for war between England and Russia to be declared any moment and some expressed the opinion that there would be a fight between the two

sailed after they left the harbor. They both sailed from Havana on April 14, the *Stryla* leaving about two hours behind the *Garnet* and the next heard from them was their arrival at Norfolk. They are pretty even-

Jay-eye-see.
CINCINNATI, April 24.—The special car of J. J. Goss, containing his famed trotter Jay-eye-see, was seen here today.

J. I. Case, containing his famous stallion, Eye-See, the wonderful stallion Silas, and four young flyers, who bid fair to make remarkable time, have arrived in this city. The horses are in charge of Case's driver, Edson, and were taken at once to Ches-

park, where they are comfortably quarters. Jay-Eye-See is in fine condition, and looks as though he will pull his record down to that of Maud S. this summer.

MAD RUSHING WATERS

SWELL UP AND SWEEP A SWATH OF DEATH AND DESOLATION.

Rain Ravages—Fearful and Furious Floods
Float Families Out of House and Home—Engulfed in Enraged Elements—Details of Terror.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., April 24.—Citizens were awakened by cries for help, by the shrill sound of the alarm whistles and the roar of rushing waters. Rain had been falling in torrents all night and Pecos creek had risen to an alarming extent.

Many families in the vicinity of the creek were awakened to find themselves surrounded by water, and many houses were overthrown and washed down the stream. Help was promptly on hand. Boats were thrown out and every possible means used to assist the sufferers, but the intense darkness retarded the laborers. Many persons had taken refuge in trees, and the air was filled with the shrieks of women and children. Mothers with their babies in their arms remained clinging to limbs for hours until they were rescued, more dead than alive. When day broke the banks for a great distance were strewn with debris of every description.

The scene on Elm creek was equally distressing, several families had been caught by the water and have lodged in trees, and were in danger of being drowned. Men, women and children were discovered, some swinging, some clinging to trees. Rafts were launched, but were broken to pieces or sunk by the force of the current. In one instance a negro man succeeded in getting a woman and her two children into the boat when it upset and the frantic mother saw her children sink to rise no more. After six hours labor the rescuers succeeded in saving the majority of the sufferers. It is impossible to estimate the damage which is done to property. Many families above and below here are in great distress, and many lives are reported lost. Rescuing parties left here, but have not returned.

Old residents say that it is the most disastrous flood that has ever visited this portion of the state. The water is two feet higher than it was twenty-five years ago, when there was great loss of life and property. All the bridges in the city were swept away and the eastern portion entirely cut off from the business part. The rain continued through the entire day, and the river has risen very rapidly.

Feuds of the Elements.

DALLAS, Tex., April 24.—There are terrific tornadoes and rainstorms reported in various parts of the state, and telegraph lines are prostrated and details are difficult to obtain. The wind is estimated to have blown at 100 miles an hour. Many buildings in Dallas were injured and basements flooded. The loss will reach \$25,000. The Trinity river is rising rapidly. City and county officials have been notified from the Red river region to look out for a deluge in the Trinity and its tributaries, as the rainfall is enormous.

At Prairie Grove, in Limestone county, the wind and rain were terrific and the destruction to farm property immense. Farm houses were destroyed and their occupants more or less injured. Miss Mamie Sawyer, fourteen years old, was killed instantly. Much damage is reported in north Texas and Indian territory. A northern bound cattle train on the Missouri Pacific struck a land slide two miles north of the South Canadian river, Indian territory. Eleven cars of stock and the cabooses were ditched and many cattle killed. Probably the entire train will be lost, as it is entirely submerged. Passenger train No. 154 on the Missouri Pacific, due in Denison at 3:25, is on an island between Pittsburg and Deaver, with bridges washed away on both sides of it. Alarm is felt for the safety of the passengers. A force of men has been sent out from Denison with apparatus for the rescue. All trains from the north have been abandoned until further notice. The city of Austin is completely flooded.

Judging from their reports and other indications, it would seem evident that thousands of hogs and cattle have been drowned. Owing to the great rapidity with which the streams rise in this country, it was impossible to remove them from the impending danger. A large number of negroes from the "Exoduster" settlement on the LaBette river fled deserted their houses and came into town, and reported the others as in a precarious condition. Teams were secured and boats improvised, and the people worked until a late hour, and finally succeeded in rescuing those who were most in danger.

In Kansas.

PARSONS, Kan., April 24.—A heavy rain set in here and continued unabated until it is asserted that thirteen inches of water fell. It is the heaviest rain since the flood of 1878. The whole surrounding country is a vast sheet of water. The LaBette river, usually a small stream, is now three-quarters of a mile wide. Four wagon bridges and three railroad bridges located on this stream are either swept away or rendered unsafe. Traffic on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad is wholly suspended for a hundred miles either way out of Parsons. The passenger train going east from Parsons on the Fort Scott and Gulf railroad was wrecked one mile out. A large amount of stock was drowned at the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad stock yards, located on the LaBette river one mile north of the town. A few farmers walked into town on the railroads and report great devastation to fields and stocks.

A Word From Gladstone.

NEW YORK, April 24.—A Chicago gentleman called at the house of Gen. Grant with a message from Wm. E. Gladstone. He explained that while he was in London he met Mr. Gladstone, and that the premier said: "I wish you would convey my regards to Gen. Grant." Mr. Gladstone then wrote on a card: "With respectful sympathy and best wish for a speedy recovery and a long and useful life." Mr. Gladstone said Americans could hardly appreciate the anxiety felt in England over the general's illness, and the warm feeling entertained there for him. Mrs. Grant said that Gen. Grant's sixty-third birthday will be celebrated on Monday by a reunion of the family about the dinner table.

Grant's Picture Taken.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Gen. Grant, his wife, Mrs. Sartoris, and Mrs. F. D. Grant went out driving. The breeze was chilly and the general wore about his neck and shoulders a white shawl. An artist in this city had a sitting from Gen. Grant in order to execute a bust of him.

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